

Application No. 10/634,385
Response to Office Action

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Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Examiner's indication of the allowability of the subject matter of claims 2-9 is respectfully acknowledged.

Claim 2 has been amended to be rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of its parent claim 1.

In addition, claims 2-9 have been amended to make some minor grammatical improvements and/or to correct some minor antecedent basis problems so as to put the claims in better form for issuance in a U.S. patent.

Still further, claims 2 and 9 have been amended to change "polarization converting means" to "a polarization converting arrangement," in accordance with the description in the specification at page 6, line 22, to avoid "means-plus-function" language.

And claim 7 has been amended to clarify that the pitch angle between the ground plate and each of the plurality of helical leads is between 30 degrees and 50 degrees, to correct a printing error in the originally filed claim 7. See the disclosure in the specification at page 8, line 26, to page 9, line 1.

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No new matter has been added, and no new issues with respect to patentability have been raised.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the amendments to claims 2-9 be approved and entered, and it is respectfully submitted that amended claim 2-9 are now in condition for immediate allowance.

In view of the foregoing, entry of this Amendment, allowance of the claims and the passing of this application to issue are respectfully solicited.

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,


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